

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Applicant: Duncan

Serial No.: 09/829,249

Filing Date: April 9, 2001

For: ELECTRONIC BOOK WITH MULTIMODE I/O

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Art Unit: 2137

Examiner: Basom

Case No.: ARC920010027US1

April 4, 2006  
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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED  
UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b);****MAIL STOP: Office of Petitions**

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Alexandria, VA 22313

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated March 29, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-captioned application be revived.


The Notice of Allowance dated September 27, 2005 was never received. The enclosed Notice of Allowance (incidentally not bearing a due date) was downloaded by Applicant from PAIR after the Notice of Abandonment was received. Since Applicant expended considerable time and resources prosecuting this case through appeal, gaining a reversal, Applicant plainly would have paid the issue fee had the Notice of Allowance been received. Like so many other papers these days, however, the Notice of Allowance was either not sent or lost enroute. Thus, applicant requests a refund of the Petition fee.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

- (1) Notice of Abandonment in 1 page;
- (2) Petition for Revival of an application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally (PTO/SB/64) in 2 pages;
- (3) A copy of the Response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due in 1 page;
- (4) "Fee Address" Indication Form (PTO/SB/47).

**X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 09-0441 in the amount of \$1500 for the Petition to Revive and \$1700 for the Issue and Publication fees (total of \$3200). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 or any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 in association with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0441.**

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-**

This application is abandoned in view of:

1. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (a) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of \_\_\_\_\_ month(s)) which expired on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.  
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).
  - (c) ☐ A reply was received on \_\_\_\_\_ but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).
  - (d) ☐ No reply has been received.
2. ☒ Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (a) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).
  - (b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is insufficient. A balance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is due.  
The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$\_\_\_\_\_. The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) ☒ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.
3. ☐ Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).
  - (a) ☐ Proposed corrected drawings were received on \_\_\_\_\_ (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated \_\_\_\_\_), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.
  - (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.
4. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.
5. ☐ The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.
6. ☐ The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on \_\_\_\_\_ and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.
7. ☐ The reason(s) below:

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Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.

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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)

First named inventor: Brandon Duncan

Application No.: 09/829,249

Art Unit: 2173

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Filed: April 9, 2001

Examiner: Blaine T. Basom

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Title: Electronic Book with Multimode I/O

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Information at (571) 272-3282.The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or  
action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration  
date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications  
filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**☐ Small entity-fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.☒ Other than small entity - fee \$ 1500 (37 CFR 1.17(m))**2. Reply and/or fee**A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in  
the form of \_\_\_\_\_ (identify type of reply):

- ☐ has been filed previously on \_\_\_\_\_
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B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ 1700

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☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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Jennifer Grygiel	(Depositor's name)
	(Signature)
April 4, 2006	(Date)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/829,249	April 4, 2001	Brandon Duncan	ARC920010027US1	7575

TITLE OF INVENTION: **Electronic Book with Multimode I/O**

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
Nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$1700	
EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS			

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5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

- ☐ a. Applicant claims SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27. ☐ b. Applicant is no longer claiming SMALL ENTITY status. See 37 CFR 1.27(g)(2).

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Date April 4, 2006

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